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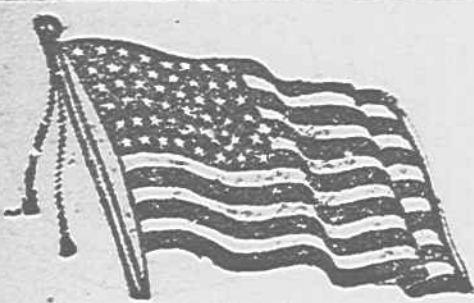
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FRIDAY EVENING, MARCH 1, 1918.



SEEING THINGS IN EMPTINESS.

It certainly does make a fellow warm about the collar to get up in the morning and find that there's no sugar for his coffee. But the sugar missing from the sugar bowl is enabling some soldier over in Europe to march much further, stand greater hardship in the trenches than he would be able to if he hadn't that sugar.

Sugar is not only a pretty fat substitute (heat substitute) but also a stimulant. Hard workers and growing children must have it. That our hard workers, the soldiers, have what sugar they need is as essential as that they have powder, for the war is largely a question of physical endurance and stamina. Indirectly, the war is being partly fought in our sugar bowls. You cannot see successful raids across No Man's Land, or patrols, or battles in your sugar bowl, but they're there.

If some wise man came along and said that you could get along just as well without any sugar in your sugar bowl, at any time, you'd probably laugh at him. But, actually, you eat sugar with your eyes. You enjoy it very largely simply because you see it. Blind men, as a rule, are not smokers, because they cannot see the smoke. Sugar in the bowl is simply a visible and convenient form of what you like, and yet if you got sugar only in the sugar bowl form, you'd very likely become thin, scrawny and anaemic.

Billions of men got along very nicely centuries before a sugar refinery was ever thought of, and every one of them required at least four ounces of sugar every day. They did not demand that they see the sugar in dried dates, figs, raisins, prunes, currants and other fruits or the sugar in beets, carrots, parsnips and other vegetables.

Look into your empty sugar bowl. You don't see any sugar, but you can, if you will, see sacrifice, patriotism and wisdom and a host of brave boys marching against barbarism on strong legs. It is to drink one's coffee unsweetened and go down to the office or store munching a sweet carrot, if needs be!

ANOTHER VINDICATION.

FOR many, many months the Republican press of the country protested against the policy of needless secrecy maintained by the administration. It was pointed out that such a policy had resulted in scandal in other countries, and would to result here. The only answer was a denunciation of such papers, and the charge that they wanted to disclose information that would be useful to the enemy. "Pro-German" was hissed in the faces of entirely loyal Americans who believed that the American people were entitled to information regarding the business affairs of the government. No one asked that information be given regarding the movement of troops or that facts be given regarding technical matters pertaining to military efficiency. If the government had discovered a new means of coping with the submarine peril, no one asked that such information be made public. All that was asked was that the American people be given such information as the enemy could obtain and undoubtedly did obtain if the facts were deemed of sufficient importance. But such information was consistently refused.

Now comes the Secretary of War with the order that "hereafter the practice be adopted of freely making public the names of all contractors for military supplies," and it is intimated that prices and other information regarding purchases will also be made public. The Secretary has finally awakened to the fact, which loyal supporters of the government have told him over and over, that no good could come from secrecy in such matters. Secrecy did not help the government to get lower prices—on the other hand, secrecy tended to higher prices, for the contractor would exact more, and the government official would concede more, if the facts were not to be made public.

Having finally acknowledged that the Republican press of the country was right the Secretary ought to make due apology in behalf of those of his partisan supporters who were so ready to accuse their neighbors of near-treason. That will not be done, but let us hope that the Secretary

and his partisans have learned a lesson, and that they will not be so ready in the future to condemn those who offer sound advice in a truly patriotic spirit.

THE QUEEN IS DEAD.

WHEN a noted personage dies, be he ruler of a nation or champion prizefighter, we recount again the events of his life, his battles, his triumphs, his defeats, his life's history. We mourn the death of any man who in life did something better than his fellows could do it. We are sorry that he is gone; and we are glad that once he lived.

Not long ago Duchess Skylark Ormsby died. Maybe you have not heard of her death, and maybe you did not know that Duchess Skylark Ormsby lived in this land.

Duchess Skylark Ormsby was a cow. Not an ordinary cow, but a cow of superior accomplishments. That she lived means more to this country and the world than all the achievements of the world's prizefighters, wrestlers, and most of its kings, statesmen, and millionaires.

For Duchess Skylark Ormsby queen of the dairy world, made it clear, beyond the shadow of a doubt, that it is the well bred cow which will end the milk problems of our future days. This champion of all cows proved that the answer to our milk and butter questions lies in the quality of the cows in American dairies and not in mere quantity. Were all American milk cows of the Duchess Skylark Ormsby standard, the nation's butter and milk supply would be large enough to meet every demand.

The Duchess lived up in Minnesota. It was there she broke the world's record by producing in a year 27,761 pounds of milk and 1,205.09 pounds of butterfat.

You and your children and your children's children will have more milk to drink and more butter for your bread because this queen of dairy cows once lived and inspired breeders of dairy cattle to strive for the ideal cow.

The National Coal Association thinks the passenger train movement ought to be still further reduced in order that more coal be moved. Suggestions of this kind carry more weight now than they did a couple of months ago.

American business men are in favor of an economic boycott against Germany if that country does not abandon the policy of militarism and end the present war. The vote on the National Chamber of Commerce referendum shows that conclusively. There were 1,204 votes in favor of the boycott and only 154 against it. This is a most remarkable showing and it indicates that the practical men of this country are strong in their opposition to the menace which militarism involves.

Spain's reactionary ministry has been forced to resign because of popular resentment over its friendliness for Germany. The monarchists of Europe have been doing their best to stand together during the storm which has been raging over there, but it has been a difficult, not to say dangerous undertaking.

Statisticians in the employ of the federal Bureau of Labor have estimated that the cost of living has advanced just 25 per cent in the past year. That seems a big advance, but everything considered it is not surprising. The movement upward will continue and the only way in which it can be combated or neutralized is by the practice of old fashioned frugality.

German invaders in Russia are reported to be shooting members of the Red guard. There will not be much sympathy wasted on them for this fate. A soldier who is unwilling to fight cannot expect to have many admirers or friends.

The vote in the House on the administration's railway bill, which was 337 to 6, indicates that there is not much government ownership sentiment in that body.

SHORT AND SNAPPY

Remember one thing about your income tax, the Government doesn't have to hunt you up; it is your business to see the government. Keeping this in mind, the editors are in session.—Parkersburg News.

Will H. Hays, a Republican leader in Indiana, was yesterday elected chairman of the Republican National committee. Fellows, these Indians, be they Democrats or Republicans, have a way of delivering the goods with both hands and both feet.—Guyan Valley Thunderer.

February Circulation

The circulation of The West Virginian for the month of February, 1918 was as follows:

1.....	5,176	16.....	5,390
2.....	5,368	17.....	Sunday
3.....	Sunday	18.....	5,113
4.....	4,872	19.....	5,200
5.....	5,174	20.....	5,226
6.....	5,173	21.....	5,190
7.....	5,313	22.....	5,249
8.....	5,247	23.....	5,375
9.....	5,426	24.....	Sunday
10.....	Sunday	25.....	5,241
11.....	5,165	26.....	5,272
12.....	5,314	27.....	5,278
13.....	5,208	28.....	5,282
14.....	5,260		
15.....	5,353		

Total for 24 Days..... 125,865
Daily Average for February..... 5,244
Daily Average for January..... 5,122

Practically all of this circulation went into Fairmont and Marion County homes, the natural field for the Fairmont merchant.

have, but just to get even with Massachusetts we hope he will spend the balance of his days in the Bay State.

"Eggs are now getting cheap"—Headline.

Well, all values are relative, but eggs at the market price are cheap it would be interesting to know what the write of this head would call dear.

Spanish cabinet has been compelled to resign.

Just as soon as a government in Europe gets friendly toward Germany the Kaiser's U-boat captains begin to make it unpleasant for the party in power.

United States Senator Gallinger has come out strong for woman suffrage.

Which goes to prove that you never can tell in politics.

Gallinger qualifies right up to the front when it comes to being old fashioned in his political ideas, but here he goes to the other extreme.

The man in public life who does not believe in woman suffrage soon is going to be rare.

Sousa has written a new march dedicated to the ship builders with a part in it for an air riveter.

And this is not the first time there has been knocking about the ship-building business.

OUTBURSTS OF EVERETT TRUE

(BY CONDO)



54 Marriages After Disallowed Date

Prosecuting Attorney Haggerty and Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Miller spent all of yesterday at the headquarters of the county draft board at Mannington appealing cases in the interest of the government. Their labors were completed last night. The legal authorities in every county are obliged to represent the government.

Altogether 130 cases were appealed. Fifty-four of the registrants were married after the date disallowed by the government for exceptions on the grounds of dependents by reason of marriage.

Church Census is Almost Completed

With all but the fifth ward complete the church canvass made in Fairmont some weeks ago is about to be completed. It is expected that this district will be completed by the close of the day so that the complete figures will soon be available.

NEW U. S. SENATOR FORM NEW JERSEY



DAVID BAIRD.
David Baird has been appointed by Governor Edge of New Jersey to fill the unexpired term of the late U. S. Senator Hughes. Baird is 78, and because of his advanced age will not be a candidate when the present term expires in November.

HEADACHE FROM A COLD? LISTEN!

"PAPE'S COLD COMPOUND" ENDS SEVERE COLDS OR GRIPPE IN FEW HOURS.

Your cold will break and all gripe misery end after taking a dose of "Pape's Cold Compound" every two hours until three doses are taken. It promptly opens clogged-up nostrils and air passages in the head, stops nasty discharge or nose running, relieves sick headache, dullness, feverishness, sore throat, sneezing, soreness and stiffness.

Don't stay stuffed-up! Quit blowing and snuffing! Ease your throbbing head—nothing else in the world gives such prompt relief as "Pape's Cold Compound," which costs a few cents at any drug store. It acts with-out assistance, tastes nice, and causes no inconvenience. Accept no substitute.

WANT EDUCATOR IN THE CABINET

Schoolmen Pledge Earnest Support to the Government in World War.

City Superintendent of Schools Otis G. Wilson and President Joseph Rosier will return Sunday from Atlantic City where they had spent the week in attendance on the annual meeting of the Superintendents department of the National Education Association.

Chief among the moves advocated at the convention was the establishment of education as a separate department of the government with the head of the department a Cabinet officer; readjustment and reconstruction of educational ideals and policies to meet the changing world conditions; shortening of the summer vacation; elimination of the Saturday holiday.

The convention pledged to the government the services of the educators, students, schools and colleges of the land. The convention proposes by this means to aid the government in prosecuting the war and at its close to facilitate the work of reconstruction which will necessarily follow the close of the world conflict.

The convention is said to have been the best ever held by the superintendents' department. Hundreds of educators from all parts of the United States were in attendance.

500 ACRE COAL DEVELOPMENT.

(By Associated Press)
NEW MARTINSVILLE, W. Va., March 1.—Prominent Wetzel county business men have organized the Mountain Coal Company, which will develop a tract of 500 acres of land in the county known as the Anthony estate. Included in the company are T. W. Burlingame, I. D. Morgan, William Francis and George Unstead.

Stop that Cough at the first sign of a Sniffle

Dr. King's Discovery for Coughs & Colds

does it! Also scatters the congestion and clears up the head. Breaks the fever and makes for ease and restful sleep. Your doctor's father sold Dr. King's New Discovery 50 years ago and for a half century it has been the standard cough and cold remedy. If millions had not used it to their advantage it would not today enjoy its national popularity. Keep it constantly on hand. Your doctor sells it.

An Active Liver Means Health
If you want good health, a clear complexion and freedom from Dizziness, Constipation, Biliousness, Headaches and Indigestion, take Dr. King's New Life Pills. They drive out fermenting and undigested foods and give quick relief.

"THE AGENCY OF SERVICE"
FIRE INSURANCE LIFE
CHARLES G. HOOD
ACCIDENT HEALTH

MACCABEES HAVE DOUBLED THE QUOTA

To Receive Officers' Badges For Achievement in Markey Campaign.

More than doubling its quota Showalter Tent, Knights of the Maccabees, last night went "over the top" in the Markey campaign and the event was informally celebrated when a meeting was held in the store room of J. H. Rowland on Main street. The Markey campaign closed at midnight and the local tent had initiated sixty candidates while its quota was but twenty-five. In addition to the sixty there are fifteen applicants that have been received, but not initiated, which means that Showalter Tent secured seventy-five additions during the campaign.

The plan of the Maccabees was to secure 25,000 members in the United States between November 1 and February 23, inclusive. 1,000 new members for each of the twenty-five years that G. P. Markey, the supreme commander, had led the order. It is believed that the 25,000 have been secured. For the achievement of doubling its quota Showalter Tent will be presented with a set of officers' golden plated badges by the supreme officers for use in the local lodge room. With the many acquisitions Showalter Tent has a membership close to the 400 mark. Prior to the campaign Clarksburg and Parkersburg Tents were neck and neck for having the largest tent in the state and the local tent was next in line. Just how these cities stand after the Markey campaign closed has not been ascertained as yet.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

GARBAGE COLLECTION.

FAIRMONT, W. Va., Feb. 27.—[Editor The West Virginian.] I noticed in a recent issue of your paper where the city expected to give up the gathering of garbage. To keep the city in the sanitary condition that is necessary in the summer, I think this a very good idea. The city truck has called at my home a few times since last July and each trip I or my wife would spend ten minutes gathering up what they scattered from the back porch to the street. I did not turn off the man that had been gathering my garbage twice a week at 50 cents a month or I could have needed an old time swill barrel instead of a garbage can. And again garbage cans at \$2.00 are expensive when bought twice a year. The city men turn one up for me in that time, or I could say in the dozen times they gathered my garbage.

I am not much of a knocker as a rule but I am expecting visitors this summer and I feel sure they would think all the residents of Fairmont had gone to raising hogs if the garbage is gathered as much as once a week. Several of my neighbors feel as I do and are glad to see garbage men coming who carry it to his wagon to empty instead of leaving a goodly portion on the porch.

A CITIZEN.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children In Use For Over 30 Years

Always bears Signature of *Chas. H. Wittich*

PULL TOGETHER FOR BLESSINGS OF A HIGH ORDER

Nerv-Worth and Nerv-Worth Laxative Tablets Do Wonderful Team-work.

These two famous family medicines unite their forces with happy results for those whose nervous ills are mixed up with bowel and liver troubles. Nerv-Worth, the liquid, generally masters derangements of the liver and bowels, but in some cases these are too deep rooted to surrender, and then the tablets, taken in conjunction with the liquid, do wonderful work. They are especially valuable in cleansing the bowels for those whose habits of constipation do not readily yield to the laxative properties of Nerv-Worth, the liquid. A bottle of Nerv-Worth and a 25-cent box of the tablets form a combination without equal in overcoming ills of the nerves, stomach, bowels and liver. Crane's Drug Store sells Nerv-Worth and Nerv-Worth Laxative Tablets in Fairmont. Your dollar back if Nerv-Worth, the liquid, does not benefit you.

Business System

The successful man has a system in the handling of his personal affairs. You will find that he deposits his income in the bank and pays his account by check. If you have not applied system to your own affairs, open a checking account here; deposit all earnings and make all monthly payments by check. The benefits will soon be apparent. Make the test.

The People's National Bank
CAPITAL \$200,000.00

What People Say and Some Side Remarks

The local chapter of the Red Cross is shipping so many goods that it is difficult to secure enough empty boxes. The merchants in Fairmont have been called upon repeatedly but the demand is greater than the supply. It was finally determined to call upon P. W. Lange, box manufacturer, and see if he would not provide some boxes. The interview was so encouraging that the Red Cross representative ventured to ask for fifteen or twenty. The assurance came that they would be supplied. Mr. Lange thought it was just once that these boxes were to be supplied but later he found that he had not understood the request exactly right and that he was to donate fifteen or twenty boxes at certain intervals. He agreed in these few words: "Oh, Well! I'm game!"

There is a movement on to bring Guy Empey, or Private Peat or some of the soldier writers and orators to Fairmont in order to "bring home" more emphatically the awful things that the Germans are perpetrating in conquered territory. The idea is that these stories are more convincing when related by some one who has actually been on the ground and can tell of incidents witnessed and not of things related by a third party. J. M. Jacobs, who is prominent in every "war work" movement, put in his own very effectively, when the matter was being discussed.

"Let us be careful not to get the admission price too high in the event that such a talker comes to Fairmont. It is so easy to get good things so high in price that the common people do not get to hear them."

COTTON AND WOOL SCARCE IN GERMANY.

(By Associated Press)
NEW YORK, March 1.—Practically all the textile mills in the Chemnitz (Saxony) district, the centre of that industry in Germany, were making cloth from paper during 1917, the available supply of cotton and wool for textile purposes having been entirely exhausted. A few establishments were spinning and weaving fabrics of nettle fibre by the process invented by an Austrian scientist during the war.

Women Love Babies

It is woman's nature to naturally respond to the charm of a pretty child. Who does not admire babies? The longing to possess a baby is often outweighed by the inherent fear of the period of distasteful preparation known as "Mother's Friend."

It is a safe external massage which relieves pain and discomfort at the crisis; makes elastic those fibers and muscles which nature is expending and wondrously soothes the inflammation of breast glands.

It enables the expectant mother to preserve her health and strength, and remains a pretty mother by having avoided the suffering and danger which would otherwise accompany such an occasion. Every nerve, muscle and tendon is thoroughly lubricated. Get a bottle today from the drugist, and write to the Bradford Regulator Co., Dept. G, 200 Lamar Building, Atlanta, Ga. They will mail you an intensely interesting little book, "Motherhood and the Baby." The book is free. Every woman should have a picture in her glorious work. "Mother's Friend" makes it possible for you to do so and should be used regularly without fail night and morning.

Sumstead's Worm Syrup

A safe and sure remedy for Worms. Good the test for 50 years. IT KILLS WORMS. To children it is an angel of mercy. PLEASANT TO TAKE. NO ILLNESS. NO PAINFUL MEDICINE. One bottle has killed 132 worms. All druggists and dealers, or by mail 25c a bottle. C. A. VOORHEES, M. D., Philadelphia, Pa.

Tooth Tattles

No tooth preparation, powder, paste or liquid can successfully clean the teeth without some mechanical aid, therefore the vital necessity of a good TOOTH BRUSH. We carry small sizes for baby's mouth and larger ones for yourself, in approved prophylactic style. All good qualities. PRICE 25c to 50c.

CRANE'S Drug Store

RUFF STUFF

American artillerymen yesterday wiped out a German mine throwing position.

Doubtless the Teuts feel that this is not fair, for the Potsdam theory is that the American soldier is no good.

But before this war is over Fritz will have to revise most of his ideas about the American soldier.

Johnson the negro wanted in Charleston for a Mann act offense has won another legal victory in Boston.

If that smoke ever does come back to West Virginia he probably will be